

Introduction

China CDC Weekly: A New Voice for Global Health



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Over the last several decades, China has made tremendous strides in improving the health of its population, and sharing the progress, perspectives, and strategies of these developments is vital to address current and future global health challenges. From 1949 to 2018, the life expectancy for Chinese residents has increased from 35 years to 77 years, the maternal mortality rate has decreased from 1,500/100,000 to 18.3/100,000, and infant mortality has decreased from 200/1,000 to 6.1/1,000. Intensive research, careful planning, and strategic implementation have driven these improvements, and the Chinese Government has committed to health improvement through initiatives such as Healthy China 2030.

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